

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1. A combination of a club head body and a striking plate, comprising:
 - a club head body including an opening in a front end thereof, a perimeter delimiting the opening forming an inner engaging face; and
 - 5 a striking plate including a front face for striking a golf ball, the striking plate including an outer perimeter that forms an outer engaging face; the striking plate being received in the opening of the club head body, the inner engaging face and the outer engaging face together forming a filler-receiving space for receiving a welding material, the inner engaging face and the outer engaging face further together forming an abutting section that reliably retains the striking plate in place for a subsequent welding process.
- 10 2. The combination as claimed in claim 1, wherein the inner engaging face of the club head body tapers rearward, with the filler-receiving space being formed between the inner engaging face and the outer engaging face.
- 15 3. The combination as claimed in claim 1, wherein the inner engaging face of the club head body extending in an inclining angle different from that of the outer engaging face of the striking plate, with the filler-receiving space and the abutting section being formed between the inner engaging face and the outer engaging face.
- 20 4. The combination as claimed in claim 2, wherein the outer engaging face includes a rear end portion having a maximum width that is larger than

that of a rear end portion of the inner engaging face, the rear end portion of the outer engaging face of the striking plate abutting against the rear end portion of the inner engaging face of the club head body, thereby forming the abutting section.

5 5. The combination as claimed in claim 3, wherein the outer engaging face includes a rear end portion having a maximum width that is larger than that of a rear end portion of the inner engaging face, the rear end portion of the outer engaging face of the striking plate abutting against the rear end portion of the inner engaging face of the club head body, thereby forming the abutting section.

10 6. The combination as claimed in claim 1, wherein the outer engaging face of the striking plate is formed on a rear end portion of the outer perimeter of the striking plate, the inner engaging face of the club head body extending in an inclining angle the same as that of the outer engaging face of the striking plate, the outer perimeter of the striking plate further including a second outer engaging face on a front end portion thereof, the outer engaging face of the striking plate and the inner engaging face of the club head body together forming the abutting section, the filler-receiving space being formed between the second outer engaging face of the striking plate and the inner engaging face of the club head body.

15 7. The combination as claimed in claim 6, wherein the club head body further includes a shoulder extending from a rear end portion of the inner

engaging face along a plane orthogonal to an inserting direction for inserting the striking plate into the opening of the club head body, the striking plate having a rear face supported by the shoulder.

8. The combination as claimed in claim 1, wherein the inner engaging face of the club head body is formed on a rear end portion of the perimeter delimiting the opening of the striking plate, the inner engaging face of the club head body extending in an inclining angle the same as that of the outer engaging face of the striking plate, the perimeter delimiting the opening of the club head body further including a second inner engaging face on a front end portion thereof, the outer engaging face of the striking plate and the inner engaging face of the club head body together forming the abutting section, the filler-receiving space being formed between the second inner engaging face of the club head body and the outer engaging face of the striking plate.

9. The combination as claimed in claim 8, wherein the club head body further includes a shoulder extending from the rear end portion of the inner engaging face along a plane orthogonal to an inserting direction for inserting the striking plate into the opening of the club head body, the striking plate having a rear face supported by the shoulder.

10. The combination as claimed in claim 1, wherein the inner engaging face of the club head body includes a cutout in a front end portion thereof, the cutout forming the filler-receiving space.

11. The combination as claimed in claim 10, wherein the cutout

extends along the perimeter delimiting the opening of the club head body.

12. The combination as claimed in claim 1, wherein the outer engaging face of the striking plate includes a cutout in a front end portion thereof, the cutout forming the filler-receiving space.

5 13. The combination as claimed in claim 12, wherein the cutout extends along a perimeter of the striking plate.

14. The combination as claimed in claim 1, wherein the club head body further includes a shoulder extending from a rear end portion of the inner engaging face along a plane orthogonal to an inserting direction for
10 inserting the striking plate into the opening of the club head body, the striking plate having a rear face supported by the shoulder.

15. The combination as claimed in claim 1, wherein the inner engaging face is one of planar and arcuate.

16. The combination as claimed in claim 1, wherein the outer
15 engaging face is one of planar and arcuate.

17. The combination as claimed in claim 6, wherein the second outer engaging face is one of planar and arcuate.

18. The combination as claimed in claim 8, wherein the second inner engaging face is one of planar and arcuate.